

THE 42D AIR BASE WING COMMANDER'S

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

1. Today's Air Force demands a quality force of dedicated professionals. To meet the needs of both the Air Force mission and our people, we must take proactive steps to prevent, identify and neutralize the harmful effects of substance abuse.
2. AFI 44-121, *Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment (ADAPT) Program*, defines substance abuse as the use of any illicit drug, the misuse of any prescription medication or the abuse of alcohol. *Abuse* refers to any pattern of unconventional misuse of any substance for non-medical purposes that produce a known health risk or constitutes a danger to self or others. Substance abuse and military service are incompatible--a single error can cost thousands of dollars and maybe even lives!
3. The use of alcohol is legal; however, members should exercise good judgement in its use when restricted by local law or military directives. Individuals convicted of driving while intoxicated will be punished in accordance with the law.
4. Substance abuse has detrimental effects on the individual, unit and overall mission. Each individual is responsible for his or her own actions. If you choose to abuse alcohol or drugs, you will be held accountable. Commanders and supervisors must use all resources necessary to prevent substance abuse from affecting their unit.
5. Quality Force is not just a slogan-it is necessity. Working together, we can reduce the harmful effects of substance abuse on our members, their families and the mission. If you or anyone you know has questions about the Substance Abuse program or needs help, call my Substance Abuse Staff at 953-7736.

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